

IN THE CLAIMS

For the convenience of the Examiner, all pending claims of the present Application are shown below whether or not an amendment has been made.

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. **(Canceled)**
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16. **(Currently amended)** A method for establishing voice communication between a first station and a second station, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving, at a second station, a code transmitted by ~~from~~ a first station ~~at a second station~~, wherein the code uniquely identifies the first station;

establishing a communication channel between the first station and a data network having a network server, the network server assigning a data network address to the first station;

identifying, at the second station, the data network address of the first station based at least in part upon the code;

storing the code and the data network address into a memory;

retrieving, at the second station, the data network address of the first station by searching the memory for the code;

determining whether the first and second stations can support a communication channel for voice communication over the data network; and

establishing a communication channel between the first station and the second station for voice communication over the data network, using the data network address of said first station, if the first and second stations can support a communication channel for voice communication over the data network.

17. **(Canceled)**

18. **(Original)** The method of Claim 16, further comprising the steps of:

determining whether the code is invalid; and

disconnecting the communication channel between the first station and the data network if the code is invalid.

19. **(Canceled)**

20. **(Original)** The method of Claim 16, further comprising the steps of:

determining whether the first and second stations have established a communication channel over the data network; and

if it is determined that the first and second stations have not established a communication channel over the data network, then automatically establishing a communication channel between said first and second stations using a circuit switched network.

21. **(Original)** The method of Claim 20, wherein the step of establishing a communication channel between said first and second stations using a circuit switched network further comprises the step of:

selecting a service provider for the communication channel from a provider list associated with the first station.

22. **(Original)** The method of Claim 16, wherein the first station connects to the data network automatically in response to a single activation means.

23. **(Original)** The method of Claim 22, wherein the single activation means is a programmable button depression signal.

24. **(Original)** The method of Claim 22, wherein the single activation means is a voice signal.

25. (Canceled)

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29. (Canceled)

30. **(Currently amended)** A first station for initiating voice communication with a second station over a first network and a second network, the first station being a telephonic device comprising:

a storage medium having stored therein a plurality of programming modules including a code module and a call initialization module, wherein the call initialization module is operable to initiate a call to a second station over a first network; and

a single activation means for causing the code module to transmit a code to the second station when the single activation means has been activated, the code routing over the first network, wherein the call initialization module of the second station is operable to, in response to receiving the code, transmit an establish-communication-channel command which causes a communication channel to be established between the first and second stations over a second network based at least in part on the code, and if said single activation means has not been activated, the communication channel being established between the first and second stations over the first network, wherein the first network comprises a circuit switched network.

31. **(Original)** The first station of Claim 30, wherein the code module transmits a code uniquely identifying the first station.

32. **(Previously presented)** The first station of Claim 30, wherein the storage medium further comprises a response module, the response module receiving a response signal from the second station wherein the call initialization module of the first station is operable to transmit an establish-communication-channel command for enabling a communication channel to be established between the first and second stations over the second network in response to the response module receiving the response signal.

33. **(Previously presented)** The first station of Claim 30, wherein the first network includes a data network and an IP gateway providing access to the circuit switched network serving the second station.

34. **(Original)** The first station of Claim 30, further comprising:
a compatibility module for determining whether the second station supports a communication channel for voice communication over the second network, the compatibility module having a signaling unit and a detector unit.

35. **(Previously presented)** The first station of Claim 30, further comprising:
a network selection module for establishing a communication link with the second station if it is determined the communication channel is not established over the second network, said communication link to be established over the circuit switched network.

36. **(Previously presented)** The first station of Claim 35, wherein the communication link is established based on a provider list associated with said network selection module.

37. **(Original)** The first station of Claim 30, wherein the second network is a data network.

38. **(Original)** The first station of Claim 30, further comprising a user interface unit located at the first station, the user interface unit for indicating and selecting a calling feature option which said first station performs.

39. **(Original)** The first station of Claim 38, wherein the user interface unit accesses a network server for modifying the calling feature option which the first station performs.

40. **(Original)** The first station of Claim 38, wherein the user interface is an interactive voice response application.

41. **(Original)** The first station of Claim 38, wherein the user interface is a visual display unit.

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- 44. (Canceled)
- 45. (Canceled)
- 46. (Canceled)
- 47. (Canceled)
- 48. (Canceled)
- 49. (Canceled)

50. **(Previously presented)** A method for establishing voice communication between a first station and a second station using a first network and a second network, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a data network address for a first station at a second station via a first communication channel in a first network, the data network address identifying the first station;

determining whether the first station and the second station can support a communication channel for voice communication over the second network;

disconnecting the first station and the second station from the first communication channel, in response to determining that the first station and the second station support voice communication over the second network;

initiating a second communication channel over the second network between the first station and the second station for voice communication, based on at least the data network address received at the second station;

determining whether the first station and the second station have established the second communication channel over the second network; and

establishing a third communication channel between the first station and the second station using a circuit switched network, in response to determining that the first station and the second station have not established the second communication channel over the second network.

51. **(Previously presented)** The method of Claim 50, wherein the step of determining whether the first station and the second station can support a communication channel for voice communication over the second network further comprises the steps of:

signaling the second station from the first station; and

determining whether the first station receives an appropriate response signal from the second station.

52. **(Canceled)**

53. **(Previously presented)** A method for establishing voice communication between a first station and a second station using a first network and a second network, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a data network address for a first station at a second station via a first communication channel in a first network, the data network address identifying the first station;

disconnecting the first station and the second station from the first communication channel;

initiating a second communication channel over the second network between the first station and the second station for voice communication, based on at least the data network address received at the second station;

determining whether the first station and the second station have established the second communication channel over the second network; and

establishing a third communication channel between the first station and the second station using a circuit switched network, wherein the circuit switched network comprises at least a portion of at least one of the first network, the second network, and a third network, in response to determining that the first station and the second station have not established the second communication channel over the second network.

54. **(Previously presented)** The method of Claim 53, wherein the step of establishing the third communication channel between the first station and the second station using a circuit switched network further comprises the step of:

selecting a service provider for the third communication channel from a provider list associated with the first station.

55. **(Previously presented)** A method for establishing voice communication between a first station and a second station using data networks, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a code from a first station at a second station, wherein the code identifies the first station;

establishing a communication channel between the first station and a data network having a network server, the network server assigning a data network address to the first station;

identifying, at the second station, the data network address of the first station based at least in part upon the code;

establishing a communication channel between the first station and the second station for voice communication over the data network, based on at least the data network address of the first station;

determining whether the code is invalid; and

disconnecting the communication channel between the first station and the data network, in response to determining that the code is invalid.

56. **(Previously presented)** The method of Claim 55, further comprising determining whether the first station and the second station can support a communication channel for voice communication over the data network, and wherein establishing a communication channel between the first station and the data network comprises establishing a communication channel between the first station and the data network, in response to determining that the first station and the second station can support a communication channel for voice communication over the data network.

57. **(Previously presented)** The method of Claim 55, further comprising the steps of:

determining whether the first station and the second station have established a communication channel over the data network; and

establishing a communication channel between the first station and the second station using a circuit switched network, in response to determining that the first station and the second station have not established a communication channel over the data network.

58. **(Currently amended)** A method for establishing voice communication between a first station and a second station, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a code from a first station at a second station, wherein the code identifies the first station;

establishing a communication channel between the first station and a data network having a network server in response to determining that the first station and the second station can support a communication channel for voice communication over the data network, wherein the network server assigns a data network address to the first station;

identifying, at the second station, the data network address of the first station based on at least the code;

determining whether the first station and the second station can support a communication channel for voice communication over the data network; and

establishing a communication channel over the data network between the first station and the second station for voice communication, based on at least the data network address of the first station, **in response to determining that the first station and the second station can support a communication channel for voice communication over the data network;**
and

~~**determining whether the first station and the second station can support a communication channel for voice communication over the data network.**~~

59. **(Previously presented)** The method of Claim 58, further comprising the steps of:

determining whether the first station and the second station have established a communication channel over the data network; and

establishing a communication channel between the first station and the second station using a circuit switched network, in response to determining that the first station and the second station have not established a communication channel over the data network.

60. **(Previously presented)** The method of Claim 59, wherein the step of establishing a communication channel between the first station and the second station using a circuit switched network further comprises the step of:

selecting a service provider for the communication channel from a provider list associated with the first station.

61. **(Currently amended)** A method for establishing voice communication between a first station and a second station using data networks, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving, at a second station, a code transmitted by ~~from~~ a first station ~~at a second station~~, wherein the code uniquely identifies the first station;

establishing a communication channel between the first station and a data network having a network server, the network server assigning a data network address to the first station;

identifying, at the second station, the data network address of the first station based on at least the code;

establishing a communication channel between the first station and the second station for voice communication over the data network, based on at least the data network address of the first station;

determining whether the first station and the second station have established a communication channel over the data network; and

establishing a communication channel between the first station and the second station using a circuit switched network, in response to determining that the first station and the second station have not established a communication channel over the data network.

62. **(Previously presented)** The method of Claim 61, wherein the step of establishing a communication channel between the first station and the second station using a circuit switched network further comprises the step of:

selecting a service provider for the communication channel from a provider list associated with the first station.